The following claims are presented for examination:

What is claimed is:

**1.** (currently amended) A device for supplying uninterruptible power, said device comprising:

input connections ~~**(90, 91)**~~ for connection to a primary DC voltage supply device **[[(230)]]**;

**standby-power** connections ~~**(190, 191)**~~ for connecting a standby power source **[[(60)]]**;

first-output connections ~~**(100, 101)**~~ for connecting a load **[[(220)]]**;

a device **[[(20)]]** for decoupling the input connections ~~**(90, 91)**~~ from the first-output connections ~~**(100, 101)**~~ in the event of a fault in the primary DC voltage supply device **[[(230)]]**;

a first controllable switching device **[[(40)]]** for connecting the standby power source **[[(60)]]** to the first-output connections ~~**(100, 101)**~~ in a controlled manner in the event of a fault in the primary DC voltage supply device; and

a control ~~**device (31) which**~~ **and monitoring device having a control part that** is assigned to the first controllable switching device **[[(40)]]**;

characterized in that

**the device for decoupling comprises a diode that has i) an anode connection that is directly electrically connected to one of the input connections and ii) a cathode connection that is directly electrically connected to one of the first-output connections,**

the first controllable switching device **[[(40)]]** has a first power transistor ~~**(41, 42)**~~ having a gate, a drain and a source terminal,

~~**a monitoring device (30) is**~~ **the control and monitoring device i) also has a monitoring part that is** provided for monitoring the output current flowing through the first power ~~**transistor (41, 42) and**~~ **transistor, and ii)** is directly electrically connected to the ~~**drain and source terminals**~~ **source terminal** of the first power transistor, and

the control ~~**device (31)**~~ **part** is directly electrically connected to the gate terminal of the first power transistor and is designed to pulse-width-modulate the first power transistor ~~**(41, 42)**~~ on the basis of the current being monitored in order to limit the current which can be provided by the standby power source **[[(60)]]**.

**2.** (currently amended) The device for supplying uninterruptible power as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the standby power source **[[(60)]]** is rechargeable.

**3.** (currently amended) The device for supplying uninterruptible power as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that a device **[[(70)]]** for blocking a current, which is provided by the primary DC voltage supply device **[[(230)]]**, to the standby power source **[[(60)]]** is provided in series with the first power transistor ~~**(41, 42)**~~.

**4.** (currently amended) The device for supplying uninterruptible power as claimed in claim 2, characterized by a smoothing capacitor **[[(80)]]** which is connected between the first-output connections ~~**(100, 101)**~~.

**5.** (currently amended) The device for supplying uninterruptible power as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that a charging device **[[(50)]]** which can be controlled by the ~~**control device (31)**~~ **control part** is connected between the standby power source **[[(60)]]** and the input connections ~~**(90, 91)**~~.

**6.** (currently amended) The device for supplying uninterruptible power as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that a parallel circuit comprising **[[a]]** **the** diode **[[(21)]]** and a second controllable switching device **[[(22)]]** forms the device **[[(20)]]** for decoupling, in that the monitoring ~~**device (30) is**~~ **part is also** designed to monitor an input voltage, and in that the control ~~**device (31) disconnects**~~ **part is designed to disconnect** the second controllable switching device **[[(22)]]** when the input voltage being monitored signals a fault in the primary DC voltage supply device **[[(230)]]**.

**7.** (currently amended) The device for supplying uninterruptible power as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that the second controllable switching device **[[(22)]]** is a second power transistor.

**8.** (currently amended) The device for supplying uninterruptible power as claimed in claim 6, characterized by a current-limited supply output **[[(130)]]** which is connected in parallel with the first-output connections ~~**(100, 101)**~~.

**9.** (currently amended) The device for supplying uninterruptible power as claimed in claim 8, characterized by a third controllable switching device **[[(120)]]** for connecting and disconnecting a state signaling device ~~**(200, 210)**~~ which can be connected to a second output connection ~~**(160, 170)**~~ that is assigned to the third controllable switching device **[[(120)]]**, a connection contact **[[(140)]]** that is assigned to the third controllable switching device **[[(120)]]** being arranged at a predetermined distance from the current-limited supply output **[[(130)]]**.

**10.** (currently amended) The device for supplying uninterruptible power as claimed in claim 9, characterized by a predefined contact bridge **[[(150)]]** for short-circuiting the current-limited supply output **[[(130)]]** and the connection contact **[[(140)]]**.

**11.** (currently amended) The device for supplying uninterruptible power as claimed in claim 9, characterized in that the third controllable switching device **[[(120)]]** is a relay.

**12.** (currently amended) A device for supplying uninterruptible power, said device comprising:

input connections ~~**(90, 91)**~~ for connection to a primary DC voltage supply device **[[(230)]]**;

**standby-power** connections ~~**(190, 191)**~~ for connecting a standby power source **[[(60)]]**;

output connections ~~**(100, 101)**~~ for connecting a load **[[(220)]]**;

a device **[[(20)]]** for decoupling the input connections ~~**(90, 91)**~~ from the output connections ~~**(100, 101)**~~ in the event of a fault in the primary DC voltage supply device **[[(230)]]**;

a first controllable switching device **[[(40)]]** for connecting the standby power source **[[(60)]]** to the output connections ~~**(100, 101)**~~ in a controlled manner in the event of a fault in the primary DC voltage supply **device;** ~~**device (230); and**~~

**a second controllable switching device; and**

a control device ~~**(31) which is**~~ assigned to **[[a]]** **the** second controllable switching device **[[(22)]]**;

characterized in that

a parallel circuit comprising a diode **[[(21)]]** and the second controllable switching device **[[(22)]]** forms the device **[[(20)]]** for decoupling,

**the diode has an anode connection that is directly electrically connected to one of the input connections and a cathode connection that is directly electrically connected to one of the output connections,**

the second controllable switching device is a power transistor having a gate, a drain, and a source terminal,

a monitoring device **[[(30)]]** is provided for monitoring an input voltage and is directly electrically connected to the ~~**drain and source terminals**~~ **source terminal** of the power transistor, and

the control device **[[(31)]]** is directly electrically connected to the gate terminal of the power transistor and is designed to disconnect the second controllable switching device **[[(22)]]** when the input voltage being monitored signals a fault in the primary DC voltage supply device **[[(230)]]**.

**13.** (canceled)

**14.** (currently amended) A device for supplying uninterruptible power, said device comprising:

input connections ~~**(90, 91)**~~ for connection to a primary DC voltage supply device **[[(230)]]**;

**standby-power** connections ~~**(190, 191)**~~ for connecting a standby power source **[[(60)]]**;

first-output connections ~~**(100, 101)**~~ for connecting a load **[[(220)]]**;

a device **[[(20)]]** for decoupling the input connections ~~**(90, 91)**~~ from the **first-** output connections ~~**(100, 101)**~~ in the event of a fault in the primary DC voltage supply ~~**device (230)**~~ **device, wherein the device for decoupling comprises a diode that has i) an anode connection that is directly electrically connected to one of the input connections and ii) a cathode connection that is directly electrically connected to one of the first-output connections**;

a first controllable switching device **[[(40)]]** for connecting the standby power source **[[(60)]]** to the **first-**output connections ~~**(100, 101)**~~ in a controlled manner in the event of a fault in the primary DC voltage supply device **[[(230)]]**, the first controllable switching device comprising a power transistor;

a control device **[[(31)]]** which is assigned to the first controllable switching device **[[(40)]]**, the control device being directly electrically connected to the gate terminal of the power transistor; and

a supply output which is connected in parallel with the first-output connections ~~**(100, 101)**~~ and whose current is limited by a current limiter **[[(110)]]** resulting in a current-limited supply output **[[(130)]]**.

**15**. (currently amended) The device for supplying uninterruptible power as claimed in claim 14, characterized by a second controllable switching device **[[(120)]]** for connecting and disconnecting a state signaling device ~~**(200, 210)**~~ which can be connected to a second-output connection ~~**(160, 170)**~~ that is assigned to the second controllable switching device ~~**(120, 122)**~~, a connection contact **[[(140)]]** that is assigned to the second controllable switching device ~~**(120, 122)**~~ being arranged at a predetermined distance from the current-limited supply output **[[(130)]]**.

**16.** (currently amended) The device for supplying uninterruptible power as claimed in claim 15, characterized by a predefined contact bridge **[[(150)]]** for short-circuiting the current-limited supply output **[[(130)]]** and the connection contact **[[(140)]]**.

**17.** (currently amended) The device for supplying uninterruptible power as claimed in claim 15, characterized in that the second controllable switching device **[[(120)]]** is a relay.

**18.** (currently amended) The device for supplying uninterruptible power as claimed in claim 17, characterized in that the second controllable switching device **[[(120)]]** is a changeover relay.